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## A GIFTED MAN.

A. W. Washington, Poet, Song Writer and Reporter, Returns from the Southeast.

A. W. Washington, of 2011A Walnut street, poet, song writer and reporter, returned to the city last Friday morning, after a 15th, from Enterprise and Miss. Near the former place where his parents reside on the plantation being interviewed Mr. Washington said that as far as he knew the Negroes are doing better in the South than they are in the North, from the very fact nine-tenths of them are working and three-tenths of them are living in their own homes in the cities or on their own farms in the country. "I was



When I learned that the people of Mississippi, or rather the towns, had a vagrant who served to compel any one to go to the chain gang, I judge that the operation of the law and also the discrimination against the Negroes are subjected to the Southland, has for its tendency to benefit them rather than depreciate them. Hence I spared no pains in writing them that in my lectures at the different churches, which I visited in the last, I told them that I thought, everything considered, the South was the best place for the Negroes, and the thing for them to do was to unite, work hard, save their money, concentrate their wealth, live uprightly, stand up always for the right, serve their God right, and they will get along better all over the South. I advised them never to come North to live unless they have their minds fully made up to work and strive, day and night, to better their conditions and take full advantage of every opportunity that presents itself to them here, for I really thought that there are too many Negroes in the North now, living in idleness, and in the range of whom would stoop to anything rather than work for an honest dollar in God's country, and are so free until they don't have to work. That is the condition of some of the Negroes in large cities. North. Some of them are staunch members of the church and are high up in society, but would do anything that is strong without the least hesitation. Hence I feel safe in saying that in the course of time they will be mistreated in the North just the same way as

you all are here, because God is not pleased at the way some of them are living there. Of course don't understand me to say that everybody is doing wrong. There are thousands of good people up there, good Christian men and women, ladies and gentlemen who would not do a wrong for anything. They work hard, save their money and, in fact, a goodly number of them are living in their own homes, and others are buying homes. You can readily see that this class is the kind of Negroes to live in the North, for they are the ones that are taking advantage of the privilege which the white people are giving them."

Mr. Washington has an interest in the farm near Enterprise, Miss. He also has a good paying business at the above number, and hires help for his wife. He also works himself at the Mercantile library, corner Broadway and Locust. He writes songs and hymns for any and all occasions, also short and long stories for several of the different newspapers in the city. He is the reporter for Dr. E. C. Cole's church, corner Fourteenth and Clark avenue.

### WHERE WERE YOU?

You should have been over to the Pilgrim Baptist church, Tuesday evening, July 19, to have helped to participate in the first anniversary given the worthy pastor. Many were present. Welcome address was delivered by Madam Shelby, of 4131 Kossuth avenue, after which many words of encouragement were delivered to the audience by Rev. Jessie Colbert, Rev. D. Johnson, Rev. Love, and responded to by the pastor, Rev. W. D. Venable, master of ceremonies. Mrs. Nannie Richardson, of Lebanon, Tenn., was introduced to the audience by Dr. Venable. Benediction by Rev. Paine. Everybody was abundantly served by Mr. Barbe and Taylor, Peckman's caterers. The evening was highly enjoyed by all present.

### Helping Hand Society.

Organized in May, 1903, this organization has been of much success to the members of that order, also others that were found in need. Mrs. Ethel Kimble, 2739 Laclede avenue, president; Mrs. Kate Johnson, 4202 Sacramento avenue; vice-president, Mr. F. Arbuckle, 2623 Papin street, secretary; Mr. Charles H. Athle, 3527 Scott avenue, treasurer. Anyone of good health and good character can be a member for 50 cents, at 2739 Laclede avenue. Meetings every first Tuesday in the month. Orders and societies are just what men and women make them, and they may accomplish great good.

### A Pleasant Time.

The following members of the West Virginia delegation to the National Association of Colored Women were entertained Saturday evening by their hostess, Mrs. Susie Corbett: Miss Mary Lewis, Mrs. R. W. Jones, Miss Coraella Davis, Mrs. Mattie V. Lee, state president. All of Charleston, W. Va. A delicious repast of cakes, ices and lemon troppe were served. Miss Ballard, of Charlestown, presided at the punch bowl. Other ladies present were the national organizer, Mrs. L. A. Davis, of Chicago; Mrs. Gibson, of Chicago; Mrs. Wick, of St. Louis; Mrs. L. M. Claire and Miss Butler, Charlestown; Mrs. Malloy and Miss Roman, of Lancaster, O. All enjoyed themselves.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Dr. E. C. Cole preached a grand and glorious sermon at the First Baptist church last Sunday morning, 11 o'clock.

Mr. Gilree is lying very sick, at this writing, at their home, 3004 Lawton avenue. The friends of the family are requested to call and see him.

Rev. E. W. Johnson, of Philadelphia, preached at the First Baptist church last Sunday night. His sermon was full of logic from beginning to end.

Mrs. Azula Harris, a noted young widow and a society lady of Meridian, Miss., is in the city on a visit, and stopping with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Washington, 2011A Walnut street.

Prof. J. Arthur Freeman, one of the most noted teachers in our city schools, and a gentleman of honor, has raised the choir at the First Baptist church from a very small one up to the largest and best there is in the city.

The second barbecue, which was given by the Ruth club last Wednesday, the 20th, at Bloomecke's grove, was very largely attended by the members and friends of the First Baptist church. Hence the club had quite a success.

The Carnation club will give a literary entertainment and refreshment social at Col. Sexton's summer garden, 2619 Lawton avenue, on Tuesday evening, July 26. Everybody is cordially invited. Refreshments of all kind will be served. Good music, Mrs. M. J. Grant, president.

The funeral of Mrs. Ophelia Ellis, who died on the 15th inst., was preached by Dr. E. C. Cole at the First Baptist church, last Sunday, 1:30 p. m., and was largely attended by the members of a benevolent society, of which she was a member for many years. May she rest in peace.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Childs, of Starkville, Miss., who are the most prominent leaders of the race, and the founders of one of the largest churches of that place, are in the city on a visit to their children, Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Cole, and sister, Dr. E. C. Cole is the son-in-law of whom the good old people love so dearly. They will possibly remain here for several weeks.



Mr. Archibald Carr, one of St. Louis' most honored and respected citizens, formerly clerk of the criminal court.

### BIBLE PRESENTED.

Rev. R. H. Brown, the ex-secretary of the B. L. I. P. U., the greatest international labor organization in the west, after three years of faithfulness, resigns his office with great credit to the organization and honors to himself. Rev. Brown was presented a handsome Bible by the union, and the members of the union bid him God-speed in the ministry.

Death Comes When We Don't Expect It.

Last Sunday, at 2:30, Mrs. Jeffer Smith died, after a lingering sickness of several weeks. She seemed to be very healthy for a few years, but it seems that our happiness is not long in this world. She leaves a husband and many friends to mourn her death.

### Notice to Subscribers.

The Palladium is mailed every Friday night, and the paper ought to be delivered in the first or second mail. You will confer a favor upon the manager of The Palladium by sending a postal card. Of course some papers and letters are lost, and we trust that you will consider this, and don't be too strict upon the non-delivery of a paper in a few instances.



VIRGINIA AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

### Has a Grievance.

St. Louis, July 22, 1904.

Editor Palladium—We learn that Mr. Will Harris, formerly a cook on the Pennsylvania system, has gone to Springfield, Ill., to open a restaurant. It is to be hoped that when the gentleman gets ready to leave Springfield he will not steal away, owing his landlord, as he did when he left St. Louis. No one would have given Mr. Will Harris credit for slipping into his room and taking his things. We look for such actions from some people, but not from a man representing himself a gentleman. If the room rent and borrowed money will make him rich it does not break me.

MRS. —

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What is done can not be undone, especially if it is a hard-boiled egg.

## MYSTERIOUS ASIA.

Akoun's Mysterious Asia and Empire of India, the Pike's Greatest Educational and Amusement Feature, World's Fair, St. Louis, Mo.

While the various concessionaries at previous Expositions have endeavored to reproduce, as a midway attraction, the wonderful mysteries of the Oriental Eastern countries, it has remained for that typical ethnological artist, Mr. Gaston Akoun, to bring before the visitors at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition an aggregation of the magnificent splendors of oriental life in the East, which for brilliancy, magnitude and active natural portrayal by means of real life exhibits has, undoubtedly, eclipsed anything in this line ever before attempted.

Mr. Akoun, who is a Parisian by birth, has the advantage of former experiences at no less than twelve previous expositions, where his marvelous successes were continuously repeated, and as a successful caterer to an amusement-loving public his fame spread far and wide.

The general plan embraces a most interesting representation of Asiatic countries, including faithful reproductions of the most historic and educational buildings of India, the Mahal Temple of Agra, the Rain Sipri of Almidabad, street reproductions from historical Delhi, Calcutta, with its picturesque bungalows, and decorated buildings, grill workers, with their actual material, such as mosaic and ceramic panels, carved in inlaid wood. Bazaars teeming with commercial activity, with native vendors in the picturesque costume of their native country, form a part of the attractions. Ceylon, with its attractive tea houses and kiosks, inside of which the visitors witness the process of drying and rolling tea, which is served by native Singalese in purely oriental fashion; Burmah, the land of white elephants,

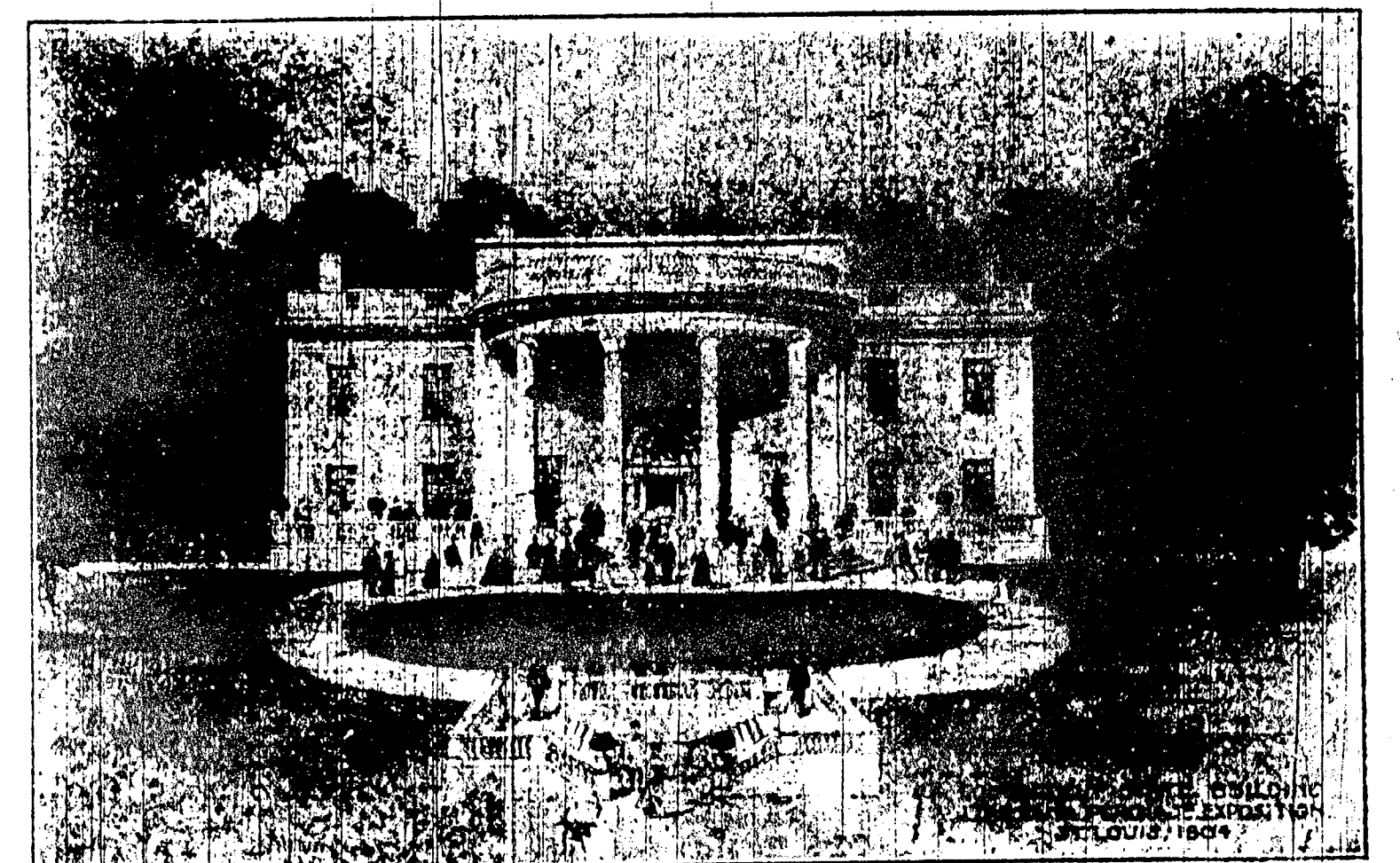
its idolatrous inhabitants, and the Golden Temple of Rangoon; Burmese musicians playing upon their peculiar native instruments, and Burmese dancing girls doing their fantastic and religious dances. A point of interest is Persia, the mysterious country of Asia, with its rug market, architectural buildings, caravans, sedan chairs, dromedaries, etc. In the bazaars are seen types of Persian traders showing the art of weaving rugs. There are brass chislers, candy makers, fortune tellers and fakers displaying and selling their wares, consisting of silks, draperies, laces, ornaments, embroideries, jewelry and other articles seen in course of manufacture by natives.

In connection with this special amusement feature is a beautiful and conspicuous building erected in the original Oriental style of architecture, known as the Oriental Theater, where performers from the Oriental countries appear in numerous and amusing features. Nautch, Jar, Castanette and all characteristic national dances are given in oriental style of their respective countries. Grand parades representing the Rajah and the gorgeous Durban festival take place hourly. On a gorgeously-caparisoned elephant, driven by Hindoos, holding heavy silver spears and attended by native musicians beating tom toms and playing upon flutes and other native instruments, the Rajah is seated in a golden-embroidered hoodah. Elephants carry kiosks loaded with passengers. These are followed by a multitude of singing and shouting natives, riding in every description of conveyance typical of their native countries. The entire production cost over \$200,000.

For the past two years Mr. Akoun has had abroad special representatives in search of new attractions, and at considerable risk and expense, obtained the consent of the various tribal kings and rulers to allow their subjects to leave their native country. In the entire reproduction there are upwards of 750 people, including men, women and children.

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